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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Extension of Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment;

Comment Request on Returns Regarding Payments of Interest.

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Internal Revenue Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning the collection of information related to the requirements for reporting on returns regarding payments of interest.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS DOCUMENT IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Philippe Thomas, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6529, 1111 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington, DC 20224. Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington DC 20224, or through the internet, at RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Returns regarding payments of interest.

OMB Number: 1545-0112.

Regulatory Number: TD 7873.

Form Number: 1099-INT.

Abstract: IRC section 6049 requires payers of interest of \$10 or more to file a return showing the aggregate amount of interest paid to a payee. Regulations sections 1.6049 4 and 1.6049 7 require Form 1099-INT to be used to report this information. IRC section 6041 and Regulations section 1.6041 1 require persons paying interest (that is not covered under section 6049) of \$600 or more in the course of their trades or businesses to report that interest on Form 1099-INT. IRS uses Form 1099-INT to verify compliance with the reporting rules and to verify that the recipient has included the proper amount of interest on his or her income tax return.

Current Actions: There is no change to the burden previously approved by OMB. This form is being submitted for renewal purposes only.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations, Federal Government, individuals or households, and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Responses: 141,555,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 13 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 46,403,150.

The following paragraph applies to all the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number.

Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained if their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Desired Focus of Comments: The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is particularly interested in comments that:

• Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the

proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will

have practical utility;

Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed

collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions

used:

Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond,

including using appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological

collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., by permitting

electronic submissions of responses.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the ICR

for OMB approval of the extension of the information collection; they will also become a matter

of public record.

Approved: November 22, 2019.

R. Joseph Durbala, IRS Tax Analyst

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